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1. Marine units of the Yugoslav Armed Forces, known as amphibious troops, are under the Yugoslav Naval Command. The primary task of these units is the defense of the Adriatic coast.
2. The amphibious troops consist of twelve battalions of four companies each. Three companies in each battalion have a strength of 120 men divided into four platoons, and include an automatic weapons platoon of forty men armed with automatic rifles and light machine guns. The rifles are Mausers, produced in the factory at Kragujevac. The fourth company consists of a technical unit subdivided into four platoons. One platoon is armed with three medium caliber, German model flame throwers manufactured in the Kragujevac factory. A second technical platoon is equipped with 20 mm. rapid fire anti-aircraft guns. A heavy machine gun platoon and a demolition platoon complete the company. The duties of the demolition platoon include the laying of land and sea mines.
3. The amphibious troops are trained in coastal defense and assault, mine clearing, air defense and rescue work under all weather conditions. Landing maneuvers have been held on various Adriatic islands.
4. The amphibious troop command is located at Sibenik. The battalions are deployed as follows:
 - 1 Battalion - Sibenik, Commander: Major Todor Obradovic
 - 2 Battalion - Hercegovina, Commander: Major Ferdinand Dosek
 - 3 Battalion - Cavtat, Commander: Capt. (?) Rade (believed to be member of UDB)
 - 4 Battalion - Budva, Commander: Captain Jesip Kosac
 - 5 Battalion - Dubrovnik, Commander: Major Zunic
 - 6 Battalion - Denovic, Commander: Captain Marko Calic
 - 7 Battalion - Split, Commander: Major Ljubo Kacar
 - 8 Battalion - Zadar, Commander: Major Anto Grbic
 - 9 Battalion - Ulcinj, Commander: Captain Jozo Vucesic
 - 10 Battalion - Kotor, Commander: Captain Viktor Hrasnar
 - 11 Battalion - Vir Pazar, Commander: Captain Tihomir Radivojevic
 - 12 Battalion - Gruda, Commander: Captain Branko Granzan.

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